

City of Smith Center  
City Council Meeting Minutes  
August 11, 2025

**I. Call to Order**

Mayor Wiehl opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 11, 2025, at the Srader Building.

**Attendance**

Governing Body Members: Everett Mansholt, Ty Wallgren, Bryce Wiehl, Don Wick, Chris Cole, and Tracy Kingsbury.

Others: Jill Conaway, Melissa Colby, Jamie Marshall, Allen Lanus, Rick Hileman, Josh Niles, and Brett Decker.

**II. Consent Agenda**

Following review, a motion was made by Wick, seconded by Wallgren, to approve the meeting minutes; vouchers, and receipts. Motion carried.

**III. New Business**

- a) Mower Bids-Hileman presented bids from Lang Diesel, Top Shelf Lumber, and Landmark to purchase two mowers, with a trade in of two mowers. Detailed discussion commenced comparing the options. Ultimately, a motion was made by Wick, seconded by Kingsbury, to accept and approve the bid submitted by Top Shelf Lumber to purchase a RZ560 with the Kawasaki option and a RZ552; trading in the 2015 John Deere X320 and 2016 John Deere Z335E for a difference of \$12,149.98. Motion carried.
- b) Propane Contracts-Winter propane contracts with Midway Co-op were reviewed. A motion was made by Wallgren, seconded by Cole, to contract 450 gallons for the airport and 450 gallons for the golf course. Motion carried.
- c) Title VI-Conaway shared the Title VI packet with the council. A motion was made by Wallgren, seconded by Mansholt, to approve the Title VI packet as presented. Motion carried.
- d) KDHE Pay Request #4 (Lagoon Improvement Project)-The documents were reviewed, with expenses to NWKP&DC, Wilson & Company, and Malm Construction. A motion was made by Cole, seconded by Kingsbury, to approve KDHE Pay Request #4 for \$395,658.03. Motion carried.

**IV. Department Reports/Committee & Board Reports**

- a) Police Department-Chief Marshall reported on the ordered patrol vehicle; and has talked with the outfitter to schedule for the equipment installation.
- b) Supervisor Report-Hileman reported on four water leaks and repairs on the backhoe.

- c) Clerk-Conaway shared a letter from KCAMP, with increased cyber coverage.
- d) Treasurer-Colby reported on a visit from Congressman Mann at the airport on Wednesday.

**V. Governing Body Reports**

- a) Wick- Stated that the pool will close on August 14<sup>th</sup>; with the guards having a pool party that evening.
- b) Kingsbury-Reported on the progress of the new pool bathhouse; and shared that the roof needs to be put on for the rest of the work to continue. Hileman will reach out to Shellito.
- c) Wallgren-Thanked Colby for her time at the airport during Congressman Mann's visit. He also asked if anyone knew the current status of the old hospital building. Wiehl shared that the building will not be demolished, the interior will be removed and refurbished.

**VI. Executive Session**

A motion was made by Cole, seconded by Wick, to enter into an executive session for five minutes, personnel exception matters, non-elect personnel, with Chief Marshall in attendance. Motion carried. In session at 6:40 p.m. – out of session at 6:45 p.m.

**VII. Communications**

Lanus addressed the governing body regarding interest in automated external defibrillators (AED).

**VIII. Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Wallgren and seconded by Wick. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.